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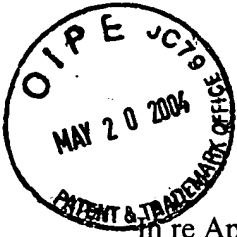
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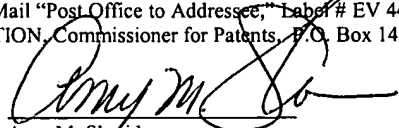
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### U.S. Patent Documents

1. U.S. Patent No. 5,845,390 to Cheng et al., issued 8 December 1998; and
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### Foreign Patent Documents

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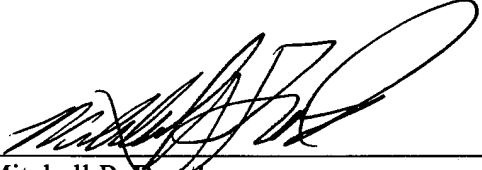
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